



17th century map of India

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L'Inde deça et de là le Gange, ou est L'Empire du Grand Mogol Et Pays Circonvoisins Tiree de Purchas...

Paris. 1654. Coloured. 355 x 560mm.

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A detailed map of the Mogul Empire, based on information supplied by Sir Thomas Roe (c.1581-1644), ambassador to the emperor Jahangir between 1615-8. At a time that roads were not usually shown on maps, this marks his route to the court as a line of villages from Surat to Kabul in Afghanistan. His route was a southern spur of the Silk Road, making this one of the few contemporary maps to include such information.

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